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A Method of Depositing an ElectroCatalyst and Electrodes Formed

by Such Method

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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Box Response

This paper is filed in response to the final office action dated December 31, 2002. Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claims 178-194, 201-208, 217, 224-225, 228 and 231. Applicant believes that the following amendments place the application in condition for allowance.

AMENDMENTS

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 339-346 without prejudice.

Please amend the following claims:

(Amended) The fuel cell electrode of claim 187 wherein, at a cell potential of about 0.6 V, a membrane electrode assembly containing said fuel cell electrode as a half cell operating as a cathode yields a power output of about 800 mA cm⁻² or greater.

(Amended) The fuel cell electrode of claim 190 wherein, at a cell potential of about 0.6 V, a membrane electrode assembly containing said fuel cell electrode as a half cell operating as a cathode yields a power output of about 800 mA cm⁻² or greater.

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